

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

In re the application of

Hans-Dieter Muller

Serial No.: 09/918,457

Filed: August 1, 2001

For: MACHINE TOOL WITH GRIPPER AND/OR TOOL MAGAZINE SYSTEM



Attorney Docket: P66923US0

Group Art Unit: 3722

Examiner: William R. BRIGGS

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated November 5, 2002 (paper No. 9), applicant elects, with traverse, the species wherein the movable parts of the gripper are movable in a direction perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the tool, with claims 6 through 12, 14, 18 through 20 and 25 through 29 being readable thereon.

It is respectfully submitted that the captioned application is in condition for examination on its merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Election of Species Requirement, in the above captioned application.

Small Entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Addit. (or) Fee	Other Than A Small Entity Rate Addit. Fee
Total	- 20	= 0	x09 = \$	x 18 = \$
Indep.	- 3	= 0	x42 = \$	x 84 = \$
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			x140 = \$	+280 = \$
Total Additional Fee			\$	\$

A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached for:

XX If a Petition for Extension of Time is necessary and the Petition and/or the check is not enclosed, this will act as the Petition and applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response and charge any fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)(1)-(5) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge payment of any other additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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